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Come Learn How to Help Utah's Incapacitated Adults

Join the Office of Public Guardian for a “Cookies & Conversation” discussion on how the agency works to protect Utah’s incapacitated adults. The gathering will be Wednesday, July 12 at 3 p.m. at the Health Insight Office, 348 E. 4500 South, Suite 300, Salt Lake City.

The public guardian’s office is located within Utah Department of Human Services and provides guardianships, conservatorships and related alternative services to incapacitated adults who have no responsible, willing or able family or friends serving as their decision-makers.

Guardianship provides a surrogate decision-making service for medical, housing, habilitation and other decisions. Conservatorships help individuals manage their money.

“We hope to educate the community about our services and about available fund-raising and volunteer opportunities,” said Office of Public Guardian Director Lori Gawf Bays.

While state and federal dollars provide many of the services, clients do need additional items not funded by those agencies. Unfunded needs include burial plans, dental and vision care, extra daily-need items such as clothing and toiletries and birthday and holiday gifts.

For additional information, contact the Office of Public Guardian at 801.538.8255.

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